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AMENDED
FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1025

elections; polls; override notification

Purpose

Requires an election board official, at voting locations that use on-site tabulation equipment, to advise a voter with an overvote or other irregularity on the voter's ballot that the vote for that office or measure will not be tallied if the voter chooses to override the overvote.

Background

A voter may deposit the voter's ballot in the ballot box or hand the ballot to an election board official and permit the election board official to deposit the ballot in the ballot box. After the ballot is deposited, the voter must then proceed outside the voting area and must not again enter the voting area unless the voter is an authorized election official, an official observer or is assisting another voter. At a voter's option, the voter may be accompanied and assisted by either a person of the voter's own choosing or by an election official from each major political party, during any process relating to voting or during the actual process of voting on a paper ballot, machine or electronic voting system ([A.R.S. § 16-580](#)).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Requires an election board official at a voting location that use on-site tabulation equipment, if an overvote or other irregularity in a voter's ballot results in the rejection of the ballot while attempting to deposit it in the ballot box, to advise the voter that the voter's vote for that office will not be tallied if the voter chooses to override the overvote.
2. Makes technical changes.
3. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

Amendments Adopted by Committee of the Whole

- Applies, to only voting locations that use on-site tabulation equipment, the requirement that an election board official advise a voter with an overvote or other irregularity on the voter's ballot that the vote for that office or measure will not be tallied if the voter chooses to override the overvote.

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